

AL-III-A-014

MICHAEL FARM HOUSE

.5 Mile southwest of Pittsburg Plate Glass Co.
ca. 1910

The Michael Farm House consists of a two story, three bay wide, "T" shaped structure. A feature present here that is unique to other farm houses in Allegany County is the three sectional, two story tower located centrally in the front of the house. Exterior wall covering was originally weatherboarding, but is now asbestos shingling. The roof is gabled, supported by brackets and frieze. Also featured within the structure are two original corbeled brick chimneys.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Michael Farm House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1/2 mile southwest of Pittsburg Plate Glass Co.

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH☐ PUBLIC ACQUISITION☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS☐ ACCESSIBLE☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Bernard S. Michael

Telephone #: 777-1608

STREET & NUMBER

Bedford Road

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

cumberland, Maryland

STATE

Liber #: 465

Folio #: 451

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION☐ EXCELLENT☒ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☐ UNALTERED☒ ALTERED**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE _____**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Michael Farmhouse is located off Route 51, near Mexico Farms, Allegany County, .5 mile southwest of Pittsburg Plate Glass Company.

The house consists of a two story, three bay wide, "T" shaped structure. A two story wing abuts the main block on the rear northwest side forming the "T" of the structure. A three sectional, two story tower is located centrally to the front eastern face and is covered by a pointed six sectional tower roof. The tower is recessed into the main block and is used as a front entrance on the first story. The house is a frame structure that originally was covered with weatherboarding but has been covered with asbestos shingles since construction. The entire facade is supported by a low stone foundation with a plain water table. The roof of the structure is gabled, supported by brackets and frieze and is covered by replaced asphalt materials. Windows in the building are pegged double hung wooden sash frames with two over two and replaced one over one lights. The main entrance is located on the front eastern face and exhibits the original paneled door with transom and transom lights. A three bay end porch with hip roof supported by square columns covers the main entrance and features a replaced cement block foundation. Two corbeled brick chimneys, which appear to be original, are placed on the flush end and to the interior of the main block.

The Michael Farmhouse is structurally very sound and is unusual in construction for a farmhouse in the Allegany County area.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1910

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Michael Farm House stands out as one of the most architecturally unique farm dwellings in Allegany County. The distinguishing feature is the three sectional, two story tower in the middle of the front of the house. Modified Queen Anne style is a good architectural classification of the house, which was built ca. 1910. Situated on the fertile Potomac River flood plain, the property has yielded good corn and other vegetable crops through the years.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 48 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Steve Beale, Joan Baldwin

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

CITY OR TOWN

Lavale

DATE

9/1/76

TELEPHONE

777-8991

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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INVENTORY NO. A1-111-A-014

DATE: 8/26/76

48 ACRES 465-451

REMARKS: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: (JAMES L. BUTLER - Rents) MICHAEL FARM HOUSE

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 2 MILE SOUTHWEST of PITTSBURGH PLATE GLASS CO.

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: SOUTHEAST - East

NAME OF OWNER: BERNARD S. MICHAEL 777-1608

ADDRESS: BEDFORD RD., CUMBERLAND

STORIES: 1() 2(☒) 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3(☒) 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: FRONT PORCH

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular) T SHAPED

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- ☒ FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- () BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- () STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- () ICG
- ☒ Other: Coverings Asbestos

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS PLAIN

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(☒) 2/2(☒) 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
Replaced in Rock pegged (☒) nailed() wide () narrow () mitred () pediment ()

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: East
HARDWARE: original (☒) replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN Transom Lights
Faneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) BRACKETS
original(☒) replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,
Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, LANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, TOWERED
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip(☒) gable()

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK(☒) STONE() CORBELLED(☒) original(☒) replaced()
LOCATION: Flush end (☒) Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior (☒)

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Residence
Significance - Architecture
Date Constructed - C.
Condition - Fair to Good

CRESAPTOWN QUADRANGLE
WEST VIRGINIA-MARYLAND
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
SE 1/4 FROSTBURG 15 QUADRANGLE

5283 NW
(LEVITT'S CREEK)

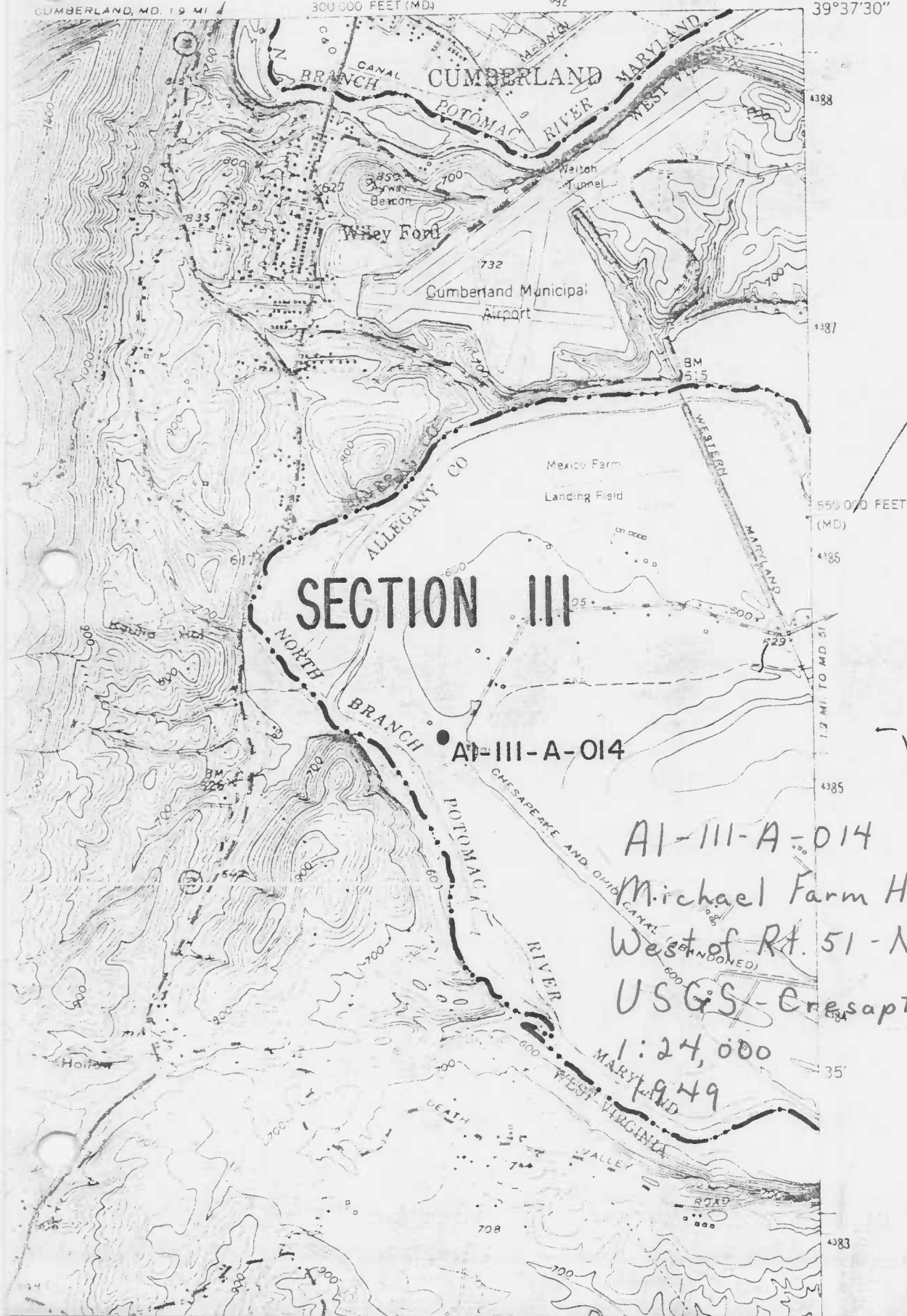
CUMBERLAND, MD. 1.9 MI

300,000 FEET (MD)

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78°45'

39°37'30"



SECTION III

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Michael Farm House

West of Rt. 51 - Near PPG

USGS - Cresaptown Quad

1:24,000

1949



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.5 Mile S.W. of P.P.G

Cumberland

John E. Nelson

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Northwest



Michael Farm House

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.5 Mile SW. of P.P.G.

Cumberland

John E. Nelson

8/26/76

East